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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT : Chen *et al.* CONFIRMATION No.: 1559
SERIAL NUMBER : 09/580,546 EXAMINER : Harle, Jennifer I.
FILING DATE : May 30, 2000 ART UNIT : 3627
FOR : SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR REDUCING EXCESS CAPACITY FOR RESTAURANTS
AND OTHER INDUSTRIES DURING OFF-PEAK OR OTHER TIMES

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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 21, 2003, Applicants submit the following
Reply.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required
beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper.
However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this
application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a),
and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to
be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Reference No. 23632-003).